

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of making a food-contacting plastic wrap suitable for microwave heating; the method comprising:

mixing a first polyolefin comprising polypropylene resin having ethylene incorporated therein in an amount up to 5% by wt.; and, an antiblocking agent to form a first polyolefin composition;

mixing a base resin comprising at least one of ethylene methyl acrylate and ethylene vinyl acetate, and a tackifier comprising styrene-isoprene-styrene block copolymer (SIS) and rosin ester;

feeding the first polyolefin composition into at least one first extruder to form a first extruded layer;

feeding a second polyolefin comprising high density polyethylene (HDPE) into at least one second extruder to form a second extruded layer;

feeding the base resin and tackifier mixture into at least one third extruder to form a third extruded layer;

joining the first extruded layer, the second extruded layer, and the third extruded layer to form a film;

passing the film into contact with a first chill roll;

passing the chilled film into contact with an embosser; and passing the embossed film into contact with a second chill roll to make the food-contacting plastic wrap.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein ~~the first polyolefin comprises one of a polypropylene or a polypropylene/ethylene copolymer or mixtures thereof~~ and the antiblocking agent comprises at least one of silica, calcium carbonate, or talc, and mixtures thereof.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the second polyolefin further comprises low density polyethylene, linear low density polyethylene (LDPE, LLDPE) or mixtures thereof.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the styrene-isoprene-styrene block copolymer (SIS) is compounded with the base resin to form a first base composition, and the rosin ester tackifier is compounded with the base resin to form a second base composition prior to feeding into the at least one second extruder.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the first extruder~~d~~ layer, the second extruder~~d~~ layer, and the third extruder~~d~~ layer are channeled into a single-manifold slot cast die and a multilayer adapter for the slot cast die with joins the three layers.

7. (Currently Amended) A method for making a food-contacting plastic wrap, suitable for microwave heating; the method comprising:

mixing a first polyolefin comprising polypropylene resin having ethylene incorporated therein by an amount up to 5% by wt.; and, an antiblocking agent to form a first polyolefin composition;

compounding a base resin comprising at least one of ethylene methyl acrylate and ethylene vinyl acetate, and a tackifier comprising styrene-isoprene-styrene block copolymer (SIS) and rosin ester to form a hot melt;

feeding the first polyolefin composition into at least one first extruder to form a first extruded layer;

feeding a second polyolefin comprising high density polyethylene (HDPE) into at least one second extruder to form a second extruded layer;

joining the first extruded layer and the second extruded layer and the hot melt to form a film;

passing the film into contact with a first chill roll;

passing the chilled film into contact with an embosser; and

passing the embossed film into contact with a second chill roll to make the food-contacting plastic wrap.

8. (Currently Amended) A method of making a food-contacting plastic wrap suitable for microwave heating; the method comprising:

mixing a first polyolefin comprising polypropylene resin having ethylene incorporated therein in an amount up to 5% by wt.; and, an antiblocking agent to form a first polyolefin composition;

feeding the first polyolefin composition into at least one first extruder to form a first extruded layer;

feeding a second polyolefin comprising high density polyethylene (HDPE) into a at least one second extruder to form a second extruded layer;

mixing a base resin comprising at least one of ethylene methyl acrylate and ethylene vinyl acetate, and a tackifier comprising styrene-isoprene-styrene block copolymer (SIS) and rosin ester to form a third composition;

feeding the third composition into at least one third extruder to form a third extruded layer;

joining the first extruded layer, the second extruded layer, and the third extruded layer to form a film;

cooling the film with forced air cooling;

passing the cooled film into contact with the embosser; and

passing the embossed film into contact with a chill roll to make the food-contacting plastic wrap.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein ~~the first polyolefin comprises one of a polypropylene or a polypropylene/ethylene copolymer or mixtures thereof,~~ and the antiblocking agent comprises at least one of silica, calcium carbonate, or talc, and mixtures thereof.

10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 9, wherein the antiblocking agent comprises silica having a substantially uniform particle size distribution.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein the second polyolefin further comprises low density polyethylene, linear low density polyethylene (LDPE, LLDPE) or mixtures thereof.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein the second polyolefin comprises up to about 40 percent by weight low density polyethylene, linear low density polyethylene (LDPE, LLDPE) or mixtures thereof.

13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein the plastic wrap comprises about 5 percent to about 30 percent by weight of the first extruded layer, about 40 percent to about 90 percent by weight of the second extruded layer, and about 5 percent to about 30 percent by of the weight third extruded layer.

14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein ~~the first polyolefin comprises one of a polypropylene or a polypropylene/ethylene copolymer or mixtures thereof, and~~ the antiblocking agent comprises at least one of silica, calcium carbonate, or talc, and mixtures thereof.

15. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 14, wherein the antiblocking agent comprises silica having a substantially uniform particle size distribution.

16.(Currently Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein the second polyolefin further comprises low density polyethylene, linear low density polyethylene (LDPE, LLDPE) or mixtures thereof.

17. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the second polyolefin comprises up to about 40 percent by weight low density polyethylene, linear low density polyethylene (LDPE, LLDPE) or mixtures thereof.

18. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein the plastic wrap comprises about 5 percent to about 30 percent by weight of the first extruded layer, about 40 percent to about 90 percent by weight of the second extruded layer, and about 5 percent to about 30 percent by weight of the third extruded layer.